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1. The following machine tools were exhibited in the Polish pavilion at the Leipzig fair: 25X1

- a. One semi-automatic screw machine (Halb Automat) size 150 mm x 500 mm. 25X1

the machine had been manufactured under USSR license. 25X1

- b. One large grinding lathe (Schleifbank), size 6 meters x 900 mm. 25X1  
It is used for grinding and machining rollers. 25X1

- c. One metal-working lathe with four rollers, 4,000 mm x 600 mm. 25X1  
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- d. One circular grinding machine (Rundschleifmaschine), internal measurement 17 to 100 mm and external measurement 130 mm. 25X1  
the machine was manufactured under USSR license. 25X1

- e. One large vertical lathe (Karussell Drehbank) with a working surface three meters in diameter. The identification plate on this machine revealed that it was constructed in the Pierwsza Fabryka Lokomotiw in Chrzanow.

- f. One mining and transport unit for coal mines. This unit contained blades for undercutting coal seams, scrapers to remove the loosened coal, and a conveyor belt to transport the coal to the rear of the mine. The entire unit was about 20 meters wide and 30 meters long and would ordinarily be serviced by one or two men.

- g. Three large grinding lathes, 800 mm x 150 mm. One of these lathes was an internal type, probably used to drill automobile cylinders.

- h. One large grinding lathe, 2,800 mm x 650 mm. This is a standard type

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machine often seen in Western countries.

1. One automatic screw machine for processing small metal tools up to a maximum diameter of 7 mm. [redacted] 25X1
- j. One automatic lathe, 700 mm x 180 mm. This lathe is capable of processing metal tools up to a maximum diameter of 40 mm. 25X1
2. The machine tools described above are believed to have been constructed exclusively in the machine tool factory at Chrzanow, the machine tool factory at Stalinogrod and the "Eintracht Huette" at Swietochlowice, near Stalinogrod. In general the machines appeared to be better constructed and more efficient than those displayed by the Poles at the Leipzig fair in the fall of 1954. In many cases, the identification plates on the machines had been removed or deliberately rendered illegible. [redacted] the machines had been constructed in 1953 or 1954. None of the machines appeared to be of very recent design or construction.
3. In addition to the machine tools listed above, the Poles exhibited two small lathes from the machine tool factory at Nowa Sol (Neusalz). They also exhibited electric welding equipment, a textile weaving machine, a small electric furnace for metal working, several bicycles, a glider, an automobile and an Ursus tractor. In the courtyard were displayed; a combine for grain harvesting, several fork lifts, and small electric vehicles for light transportation work. [redacted] About 20 small electric motors were also on display [redacted] 2
- Also in evidence were displays of coal, coke, various chemicals and ores, textiles, crystal and glass, children's toys, wood products, canned food, fish products and sport articles. The technical equipment displayed at the fair appeared to be better constructed and more efficient than that displayed at the Leipzig fair in 1954 but from the aesthetic standpoint the general appearance of the Polish pavilion was not as attractive. Many of the displays were dirty and some of the posters on the wall, which emphasized industrial reconstruction in Poland's recovered territories, were somewhat offensive to German political sensibilities. However, the Polish pavilion was probably inspected by more visitors than were any of the other satellite pavilions. 25X1
4. About 20 to 30 Polish nationals from the various Polish trading corporations and the Polish chamber of commerce were in charge of the pavilion at the Leipzig Fair. These individuals appeared to be very security-conscious and did not readily enter into conversations with foreigners.

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